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Hongkong, January 9, 1910.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTH ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held
at the Company's Office, 21, George Street,
Singapore, on TUESDAY, the 15th
March, 1910, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the
purpose of receiving a Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st December,
1909, and for the election of Directors and
Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from 1st March to
15th March, 1910, both days inclusive.

Hongkong, February 23, 1910.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COM-
PANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS of the Company will be held
at the OFFICE of the GENERAL MAN-
AGERS, St. George's Buildings, Victoria,
Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 19th day
of March, 1910, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the
purpose of receiving a Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st December,
1909, and for the election of Directors and
Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from THURSDAY,
the 10th March until SATURDAY, the
19th March, 1910, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 3, 1910.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LD.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of the Share-
holders of the above Company will be held
at the Office of the General Agents, Pe-
dar's Street, on THURSDAY, the 24th
March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of
receiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1909.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 11th to
24th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, March 3, 1910.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LD.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of the Share-
holders of the above Company will be held
at the Office of the General Agents, Pe-
dar's Street, on THURSDAY, the 24th
March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of
receiving the Report and Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1909.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 11th to
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Hongkong, March 3, 1910.

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Hongkong, November 2, 1909.

CANTON R.C. AND HONGKONG
REGATTA.

CANTON ROWING CLUB.

CANTON, March 9.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—With reference to the correspond-
ence in your local press regarding the
Canton Rowing Club's refusal to defend
their title as holders of the Hongkong
Challenge Cup at the forthcoming Regatta
under the conditions drawn up by the
Hongkong Regatta Committee, I beg to
enclose part of the correspondence ex-
changed between my Club and the Hong-
kong Regatta Committee. This, I hope
will show, at least to rowing men, that the
action of my Committee was not without
justification.

I shall be obliged if you will find space
for these letters in one of your next issues,
and am, Dear Sir,—Yours faithfully,
ERNEST LUND,
Hon. Secretary, C.R.C.

[Copy.]

Central Station,
Hongkong, 27th December 1904.

Dear Sir,—In reply to your letter of
24th December, I have to inform you that
competing clubs may bring their own boats
only providing that they are clinker built,
as I understand your Club. For Clubs that
find it inconvenient to bring their own,
boats will be provided in Hongkong.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) E. R. HALL, Esq.,
Hon. Sec., H. K. Regatta.

This letter was received in reply to an
enquiry from Canton as to the class of
boats to be used for the Hongkong Regatta
(Hongkong Challenge Cup).

CANTON, February 24, 1910.
FRANK LAMBERT, Esq.,
The Hon. Secretary, Hongkong.

Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge your
letter of 21st inst. with reference to the
conditions under which your committee pro-
pose that the Hongkong Challenge Cup
shall henceforth be rowed.

The position my committee adopt in this
matter is as follows.

On one occasion when the Canton Row-
ing Club competed for this cup, enquiry
was made as to the type of boat that should
be used, and the Hon. Secretary of the
Hongkong Regatta replied in a letter
dated December 27, 1904, that "Compe-
ting Clubs may bring their own boats only
providing they are clinker built." Later
on February 21, 1905, it was suggested
by the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong
Boat Club, that a certain design of boat
should be adopted by the Canton Rowing
Club, and in that type of boat the Canton
Rowing Club has ever since regularly
competed for the Challenge Cup.

Last year, at which time we were holders
of the Cup, when the boat question was
raised, my committee deemed it advisable
to ascertain the exact conditions under
which the race was held, and a copy of the
rules was asked for on March 15, 1909.
No answer to this request was vouchsafed
and nothing further superseded until the
issue of this year of the Hongkong Regatta
Programme, when it was observed that it
was stipulated that all four our races had
to be rowed in the Cruickshank type of
boat.

It is noted, however, that in the Rules
governing the race, Rule 3 states, that the
boats used must be "similar in type and con-
struction." In this connection I must draw
your attention to the fact that at the first
regatta, when the Canton Rowing Club
competed for this cup, all the boats used
were similar in type and design, and that
the first departure from the design was
made by the Hongkong Club in introduc-
ing, first, the Lux and subsequently the
Cruickshank type, and the spirit of the
original rules will be more faithfully ob-
served by a reversion on your part to the
Cruickshank type than by the adoption of the
Hongkong Club's of the Cruickshank type.

On the other hand, my Committee would
point out that the phrase used in Rule 3 is
"similar and not identical," and they main-
tain that the boats used by the Canton
Rowing Club are in fact similar in type
and in construction to the Cruickshank
boats, though not identical, and that the
Canton Rowing Club, the holders of the
Cup which they have won on more than
one occasion in boats of the Cruickshank
type introduced at the suggestion of the
Hongkong Boat Club and specifically allow-
ed by previous Regatta Committees), are
entitled, even under the rules now put for-
ward, to compete at the forthcoming regatta
in their own boats.

As time is very pressing I have taken
liberty to cable you today as per copy
enclosed.

An early reply to this letter will greatly
oblige.

I am, Dear Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(Signed) ERNEST LUND,
Hon. Secretary.

[Copy.]

HONGKONG REGATTA.

The Hon. Secretary,
Canton Rowing Club, Canton.

Dear Sir,—In reply to your letter of
24th inst. on the subject of the conditions
for competition for the Hongkong Challenge
Cup, allow me to refer you to the first
words of Rule 3, which no doubt escaped
your attention. This proviso—that it is
for the Committee—for the time being to
decide what boats shall or shall not be used—

(Continued on Page 3.)

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Division of the City of Victoria,
occupied by Members of more than one
family, except those within the European Re-
servation or those parts of a domestic build-
ing used as a shop, office or godown, must
be CLEANED and LIMEWASHED
THOROUGHLY by the Owners during the
months of February and March.
N.B.—The word "throughout" used in
this notice means that the houses should be
limewashed in respect of all the Walls of
each Room, all cubicles, partitions, Stair
Caisies and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and
the Undersides of Roofs in Main
Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters
and inclusive of Verandahs.
The Backyard must have its Containing
Walls limewashed up to the level of the
first floor.
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in good condition, however, need not be
limewashed but must be Cleaned.
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to the West of Bank Lane and Cleverly
Street.

HONGKONG REGATTA.
SIXTH MEETING.
SATURDAY, 12th MARCH, 1910.
THE COMMITTEE request the pleasure
of the presence of the Ladies of the
Colony at the above Regatta at Seaview's
Recreation, East Point.
By kind permission of Col. Prior and
Officers, the Band of the 13th Rajput will
play during the afternoon.
The first race will be started at noon.
Tickets of Admission, \$1 each, may be
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FRANK LAMBERT,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, March 10, 1910.

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Hongkong, February 4, 1910.

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£-Life & Annuity Funds £1,515,543 10 3

£-Sinking Fund Accounts £4,907 5 3

£18,114,694 11 1

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£4,124,159 16 11

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Hongkong, October 9, 1909.

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Hongkong, April 16, 1907.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Meetings.

Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Gymkhana
Club in the Hongkong Jockey Club.
12.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.
at Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s
Office.

Auction.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Race Ponies at
Kennedy's Stables, Causeway Bay.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Boxing at City Hall.

General Memoranda.

MONDAY, March 14—
Noon—Auction of Leasehold Property
at Messrs Hughes & Bough's Sales
Rooms.TUESDAY, March 15—
Noon—Meeting of the China-Borneo
Co., Ltd. at Co.'s Office.FRIDAY, March 18—
2 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture,
As at 1st Mar, Peak Road.
9 p.m.—Performance of Bandmann's
Co. at City Hall.SATURDAY, March 19—
11.30 a.m.—Auction of Green Island
Cement Co., Ltd. at Co.'s Office.12.30 p.m.—Meeting of National Bank
of China, Ltd. at Bank Office.2.30 p.m.—Auction of High-class Jewellery
at Messrs Hughes & Bough's
Sales Rooms.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1910.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

We seem at last to be arriving at some-
thing like finality in the estimated
cost of the British section of the Kowloon-
Canton Railway. The first report
drawn up by Mr E. S. LINDSEY, the
newly appointed Chief Resident
Engineer (sent for two years by the
Indian Railways) was presented to the
meeting of the Hongkong Legislative
Council on Thursday, and it puts us in
possession of figures which seem to in-
clude everything that should be rightly
included, so that the public can now get
a more or less accurate idea of how
much the little bit of railway running
through British territory to the Chinese
frontier is likely to cost the Colony. It
is an old tale how low the original
estimate of \$8,000,000 drawn up in
June, 1907 has expanded gradually by
odd millions a year till the present round
sum has been reached. As Sir FREDERICK
LOGAN explained, for about the fifth
time, the original estimate did not
include the cost of workshops, rolling
stock, nor interest on capital, or loss
by exchange. Indeed, in December,
1909, some of these items were still
missing, so it is not surprising that the
figures then presented, \$9,017,499.33,
have again expanded till at last we have
as a final estimate to date the imposing
total of \$12,371,495.46. Railway
estimates, like a ball of snow rolling
down a hill-side, invariably increase
as the road draws near to completion,
so the public of Hongkong, all things
considered, ought perhaps to be thank-
ful that the bill is not going to be
larger than present indications disclose.We must not forget that apart from
the exceptional difficulties met with
in the tunnelling at least five bridges
have had to be rebuilt and others
strengthened owing, so runs Mr LINDSEY's
report, to "faulty design in foundations
in very treacherous ground, and to bad
material." Another item which has swollen
much beyond first expectations hasbeen the cost of earthwork. Mr
LINDSEY tells us "that the estimate for
the completion of the earth work now
amounts to \$2,587,580, an excess of
\$319,403 over the estimate of 1909,
and of \$187,088 over the estimate for
1907." "It is impossible," he points
out, "owing to the absence of detailed
figures in the estimate for 1900 to
explain how and where this excess
has arisen and one can only say
that notwithstanding the saving in
the quantity of reclamation, which
amounts to some sixty lines of cubic
feet, the actual figures in estimates for
1907 and 1910 for the work in
Bamghom vary as shown in the table on
account of higher rates having to be
paid than those originally estimated for."
All the tunnels are now completed, but
at a cost exceeding by \$1,007,730 the
original estimate, or 73 per cent. The
brightest spot in the big tunnel work is
undoubtedly that of No. 5, which, under
the capable supervision of Mr. LOGAN
has worked out at \$337.14 per foot
run, which compares favourably with
\$307.42 for No. 1 tunnel, and \$453.28
for No. 2 tunnel. His Excellency's com-
mendation of the engineering skill and
managerial qualities displayed by Mr.
LOGAN was well deserved. Mr. WAT-
TINE work at the Beacon Hill tunnel is
also fully deserving of the praise
bestowed by the Governor.DARING DAYLIGHT ROBBERY
AT KOWLOON.

More Silver Stolen.

The arrest of the man who broke into
Capt Liddell's house at Kowloon does not
seem to have proved any deterrent to the
bold thieves who have made this suburb
their happy hunting ground this winter.
On Thursday afternoon another daring
robbery took place, the victims this time
being Captain and Mrs Aitkin of Oldesloe,
overlooking the Kowloon cricket ground.
Between the hours of three and four the man
entered the house, and but for the chance
ringing of the house bell he would have
secured a big haul. As it was he got clean
away with a large silver safe and a silver
bread box from the dining room. The
ringing of the bell called the house-boy to
the front door, and the thief evidently scared
at once made tracks for the back door.
He got clean away. The police are now
investigating the affair.The Hongkong office of the C.P.R.
has just received word from the Y. K. O.
Office advising the receipt by them of a
wireless message from the R.M.S. "Emp-
ress of India" (which left Hongkong for
Vancouver on the 20th ult.). The message
was "despatched at 9 p.m. on the
10th instant, when the vessel was 1,400
miles from Japan. The captain reports all
well, and the fine weather was being
experienced. This news will doubtless be
appreciated by friends of passengers on
board."

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The betting is now 5 to 4 on Oxford
for the boat race.Malay pirates are busy again in the
waters near Singapore.Mr George Christopher, proprietor of
the Siam Times, has died of heart disease
at Simla.The German Mail of the 9th February
was delivered in London on the 10th
March.The deaths are announced of Major
Southwell Greville and Surgeon General
Mason, Military veterans.Gunner H. J. Tutton, of the Hong-
kong Volunteers, has been granted leave of
absence for 12 months.Messrs W. W. Matthews and M. W.
Bishop have joined the Infantry Co. of the
Hongkong Volunteers and Mr A. W. Taylor
the Artillery Co.The band of the 18th Rajputs, under
Bandmaster C. T. Coke, will play a pro-
gramme of music at the foundation stone
laying in connection with the Hongkong
University.Corpl. A. Gregory, of the Infantry Co.
of the Hongkong Volunteers, has been
promoted sergeant and Pte C. A. W. Ferrier
has been elevated to the rank of Lance
Corporal.At the request of the numerous
patrons of the Victoria Cinematograph the
management are again showing, for two
nights only, the magnificent film "The
Lady of Camille."The death occurred at Singapore last
week of Mr Tan Kook Chuan, managing
partner of Messrs Wee Bin and Co., the
Chinese shipowners. He leaves a widow
and six children to mourn his loss. The
body is being sent to China for burial by a
Wee Bin steamer.Dr Dodd, of the American Presby-
terian Mission, Chienmai, has started on
his furlough travelling across South China
through the provinces of Szechuan and
Kwangtung with a view to studying the
Thai people still living in those provinces.
Mrs Dodd is going to Bangkok, and will
join her husband at Hongkong.The Manila Supreme Court has decided
the appeal in the Rubi case. Alex-
McCormick, second engineer of the Rubi,
was sentenced by Judge Smith to a fine of
600 pesos, or six months' imprisonment,
for illegal possession of opium. The
Supreme Court held that the evidence was
not sufficient to sustain the conviction.The annual meeting of the Hongkong
auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible
Society is to be held in the City Hall on
Tuesday, March 15th, at 5.15 p.m. The
Bishop of Victoria is to preside, and
addresses will be delivered by Col. C. W. R.
St. John, R.E., and the Rev. H. O. T.
Berkwall, the Society's sub-agent in Can-
ton.The Popular Concert at the Sailors'
Home last night was given by the United
Service Concert Party, Mr Peel being the
conductor and pianist. The concert
room was full, many having to stand at
the time. A very good programme was
given. Specially good was Mr Tully's
representation of a man at a football
match, and the audience felt as if they
themselves were watching the game.The Committee of the Club Lusitano
has invited the Rev. Fr. Pietro Cogliogli,
the Provincial of the Salesian Congregation,
to deliver a public lecture this evening at
6.15 p.m. at the Hall of Leifde Canies.
The subjects of the lecture will be on his
own impressions through Africa, India,
Brazil, Portugal and its Colonies and
China. The lecturer will speak in Por-
tuguese. The Rev. Fr. Cogliogli, though an
Italian, speaks Portuguese as his own
native tongue. The last sermon that he
preached at the R.C. Cathedral proved him
to be a very eloquent speaker.The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice
Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to
acknowledge with thanks the following
donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

Duncan, Louisa and Deacon...	...	25
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A. F. Arculli	25
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J. L. Leman	10
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Lamko and Rogge	10
C. E. Warren and Co.	10
C. Willcockson	5
J. J. Leiria	5
J. Crink	5
Hemly and Co.	5

Success follows success in connection
with the performances of "La Mascotte"
by the Lusitano juvenile amateurs so that
when a matinee performance was given at
the Theatre Royal on Thursday afternoon
it was accorded a most gratifying reception
by a crowded audience, the place having
lost none of its brightness even after more
than a dozen performances. Mr A. E. de
Silva and his troupe deserve the greatest
credit for having produced this play and it
is to be hoped similar delightful pieces
may be staged in succeeding years, for not
only amongst the younger members of the
troupe are there very promising artists,
but amongst the other children of the
members of the Club Lusitano there is an
abundance of talent which only needs
developing.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Sir Clifton Robinson, the English trans-
way magnate, arrived in the Colony by the
German Mail on Thursday.Mr and Mrs R. Chapman, of the Govern-
ment Civil Hospital, returned to the Colony
by the Eastern, after a year's furlough.Mr and Mrs Willets, who are giving a
concert at the Theatre Royal this evening,
arrived in Hongkong by the N. D. L.
Kliet. This is their farewell appearance.

THE ALLANA ASSAULT CASE.

The case in which Alla Din, an Indian,
was charged with attempting to do grievous
bodily harm to S. E. Allana came on at the
Magistracy this afternoon, before Mr
E. R. Hallifax. Mr E. L. Shenton pres-
ided. Mr Shenton said Allana was returning
home on the 2nd of March at about 12.30 a.m.
and on getting half way along Wyndham
Street defendant jumped out on him. Allana
had a big stick in his hand and with this he
struck out at Allana, who, however, jumped
on one side and dodged the stick with the
result that the blow missed him. Allana
then ran down the street, being followed
by defendant. There was a lull in the case
and it would have been a lull in the case
if it were not for the fact that Allana said
that he saw defendant on the following day
and he told him what he had done and his
reason for doing it.Mr Shenton bore out Mr Shenton's
story, saying defendant "tried to put the
stick on my head." If witness did not
believe the blow "he could break my head
as once." Witness ran away calling
"Police! Police!" and was followed by
defendant. A lull in the case, and the
defendant was arrested just outside the China
Mail office.Mr Goldring—You have confessed to per-
jury, haven't you?
Mr Shenton—I object.
Mr Goldring—He has confessed and I
am entitled to put it to him.Mr Shenton—No witness is bound to
answer any question which may incriminate
himself.
Mr Goldring—He has already done it; he
has confessed to perjury on three
separate occasions. I submit that as he
has done it before he can do it now.Mr Goldring—He can if he pleases.
Mr Goldring did not press the question.
Complainant, in reply to a question as
to whether he was sober at the time, an-
swered in the affirmative. He added "I
never drink now."In answering further questions witness
continued to emphasise his replies by
thumping the floor with the stick which
defendant was alleged to have used, where-
upon his Worship exclaimed, "Take that
stick away from him." "Keep still when you
give your evidence."Mr Goldring—Was the order of the rate
Allana let, Alla Din 2nd, the lull in the case?
Complainant—Yes; I think so.An Indian witness said he was in his
shop door when defendant passed by laugh-
ing and he told witness how he chased
Allana away. Witness asked him what he
did and he said he struck him
Allana and ran away. Witness asked him
if he was sure that Allana would put him in
gaol. Defendant said he was not afraid as
he was behind him. Mr. Marican, who was
in the shop door when defendant passed, was
examined. He said that he was formerly
worked for Marican and was dismissed
after he had sued Marican for payment of
wages. Marican was not witness's enemy
nor was he his friend.Defendant said after going to the Salon
Cinematograph, he saw Allana coming down
the street carrying a stick across his
shoulder. Then witness got afraid.Owing to the Court Interpreter finding it
impossible to make defendant understand
questions, the case was adjourned until
Thursday at 11.30 a.m.CLAIM FOR A SUIT OF
CLOTHES.At the Supreme Court this afternoon
before Mr Justice Goff, Ab. Met and
Hing Cheung Co., sued W. Hollingim
recovered \$44, for goods sold and delivered.Mr Rander Harris appeared for plaintiff
and Mr R. C. Barlow defended.
Mr Harris said the action was for the
price of a suit of clothes.Mr Barlow said he would like the case dis-
missed. Defendant was a steward on board
the s.s. China and the most important
witness was at present in Manila. He was
prepared to pay the money into Court
pending the arrival of the witness.His Lordship—You to pay the costs of
to-day.
Mr Harris—I ask your Lordship to give
plaintiffs the costs. The case was fixed
over a week ago.His Lordship—Defendant is here but the
witness is not. I cannot give an adjourn-
ment at this late hour without giving the
other side the costs of the day.An assistant of plaintiffs gave evidence
that the runner at Astor House told him
defendant wanted a suit of clothes and
asked him to take samples of cloth to the
s.s. China, which he did.His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiffs
and \$20 costs with stay of execution for
one month.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

For stealing a brass megaphone from the
s.s. Liberia a native was to-day sent to
prison for ten days.At the Magistracy this morning, before
Mr E. R. Hallifax, Capt. Jenkins, of the
s.s. Tai Wan, was charged by Mr Medley,
engineer, with assault. The case was
remanded sine die.A sentence of four months' hard labour
and four hours' stocks was the sentence
imposed at the Magistracy to-day on a
coolie for attempted larceny on the s.s.
Choy Shing. While the boat was lying
alongside Jardine's wharf at West Point
defendant got aboard; opened the drawers
in the captain's cabin, took out a consid-
erable quantity of clothing, etc., put it in
bundles and was just climbing out of the
port hole when the captain came aboard
and arrested him.A co-partner in a Chinese firm at 121,
Queen's Road West was charged at the
Magistracy to-day with embezzling a sum of
\$362. He pleaded not guilty, being
represented by Mr J. H. Gardiner. The
case was remanded for a week, bail being
fixed at \$500.BRITISH NAVAL
ESTIMATES.

INCREASE OF FIVE MILLIONS.

Standard of Power to be
Preserved.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, March 10.The Navy Estimates total
£10,603,700, showing an increase of
£5,561,000 on those of last year.Shipbuilding and armaments ac-
count for over five millions of this
increase.The total of the sums set down for
new construction is £13,279,830, of
which £11,530,790 is to be spent on
the continuation of ships now in
course of construction, and £1,749,040
for beginning ships of the new pro-
gramme which is composed of:—
5 large armoured ships,
5 protected cruisers,
20 destroyers,
and a number of submarines.Replying to Mr W. P. Byles (L.)
who asked whether the German
Chancellor's statement on the 5th
inst. would influence the coming
Naval Estimates in the direction of
retrenchment, Mr McKenna, First
Lord of the Admiralty, replied that
the friendly tone of the speech was
cordially reciprocated, but, he added,
"our estimates are not based on the
assumption that other nations mean
to be unfriendly to us, or we to them.
They are framed so as to preserve
our standard of naval power."

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

DISCUSSION IN THE
COMMONS.(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
LONDON, March 11.In answer to a question put by Mr
Taylor, Col. Seely stated in the House
of Commons the present position of the
opium question in the Siam Settle-
ments and Hongkong, adding that both
the Home and Colonial governments
continue to exercise energy and vigil-
ance in pursuance of their policy. The
Governors of these Colonies would be
asked to include in their annual reports
an account of the measures taken to
regulate and restrict the consumptionMr Taylor asked, in view of the great
reduction in the area of opium-growing
in China, if the British Government
would shorten the period during which
India would continue to send opium to
China.The Hon. E. Montague, in reply,
said that India's strict fulfilment of the
agreement imposed serious burdens
upon the Indian Government and the
Native States and His Majesty's Govern-
ment was indisposed to disturb it.SZECHUAN-TIBET RAIL-
WAY PROPOSAL.(Woh Tse Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, March 10.It has been suggested by a certain
Minister that a loan be raised to con-
struct a railway from Szechuan to
Tibet.CHINA AND CRIMINAL
LAW REFORM.(Woh Tse Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, March 10.The Law Department has asked that
officials be delegated to attend the
Criminal Law Reform conference
which is shortly to be held in America.

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MACEDONIA 10500	March 19	Through steamer	calling at Bombay	April 16
DEVANHA 8000	April 2	MONGOLIA 10500	April 30	May 8
ABYSS 7000	April 16	MARMOIRA 10500	May 14	May 20
DELTA 8000	April 30	MOSEBA 10500	May 28	June 3
DELTA 8000	May 14	MOOLAN 10500	June 12	June 18
DEVANHA 8000	May 28	CHINA 10500	June 26	July 2
ABYSS 7000	June 11	FEBSIA 7000	July 10	July 16
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DELTA 8000	July 9	MOIDAVIA 9500	Aug. 7	Aug. 13

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Steamer	about	Steamer	about	about
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ABYSS 7000	May 18	June 19	19	
MOSEBA 10500	May 18	July 1	1	
PAWLAN 4700	June 1	July 16	16	
BORNEO 4800	June 15	July 30	30	
SIBILA 5884	June 29	Aug. 14	14	
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